

Treds of People eager to get Seats for Monday Night.

WILL BE A GREAT CRUSH.

600 Tickets Sold in the Parquette Balcony—300 Left—Testimonials to Mr. Power's Generosity and Enterprise.

The advance sale of reserved seats for the opening of Powers' Grand Opera began at 8 o'clock this morning at the drug store, conducted by Mr. Ley, assisted by F. W. Haines. Hundreds of people were eager to get to the seats in the house, and the store was crowded for several hours even out on the walk. Long before the store was opened a crowd was in line, and there was one young man in the party who had stood there all night. He had been engaged to procure the boxes for a young lawyer and got it, because as a reward for his qualities he was the first party to make a request and he got the choice of the whole house. There were others who slept part of the night and came to the store as early as 3 o'clock, others coming later. One woman was an early riser and her heart's desire was gratified but she had the appearance of being ill when she got away.

The rush ended shortly after 10 o'clock, and Mr. Haines buttoned up his coat and retired to a chair for a rest. The sale was conducted smoothly in the store, and there was no trouble, except that two parties became involved in a dispute as to right of place in line. Mr. Haines laid down the rules at the start; he was very enough to see that they were strictly observed. He was generally applauded at intervals as he gave his rulings on disputed points.

300 SEATS LEFT.

There are 570 seats in the parquette, 355 in the balcony, total.

Of that number 330 were sold in the parquette and 236 in the balcony, so there are still left nearly 300 good seats on the two floors yet to be disposed of to all who come. The gallery accommodates 665, and the eight boxes will seat 40 persons, making the total seating capacity of the house 1610.

The standing room on the three floors is considerable, so that about 2,000 people can get into the hall to witness the opening attraction.

The opening performance will be the "22" extravaganza, by the Rice company.

It has been a long time since theater play goers have had an opportunity to enjoy a stage production. The fire of November 4 destroyed the old house, and that let us out. But through the generosity and enterprise of Mr. Orlando Powers the house has been rebuilt, and Monday night, February 10, our people will have the opportunity to view and admire the merits of the new hall.

In addition to the privilege of gratifying a desire to be royally entertained, the people by their patronage and presence pay a marked testimonial of appreciation and gratitude to Mr. Powers. All is not but fail to feel that he has done a great thing for Decatur in reproducing the Grand, practically as it was when first erected. A packed house every night will be the best public expression of thanks to the owner of the fine property.

Manager Fred Given was at the sale of things went, and become acquainted with the regulars.

Those who want tickets in the parquette or balcony can secure many choice seats if they will call at the drug store. The lower boxes had been sold up to 10 o'clock. None of the upper boxes have been taken.

Socks vs. Sewer.

**REPUBLICAN:** At a most enthusiastic meeting of our Grand Order, which the spirit of our Great Mogul was present, the sewer in the west part was warmly discussed. The meeting was held in the sub-cellars of Ahrens' Bottling Works and 1013 men were present. It was voted that the sewer should be built by stock subscription and that the Sock society should hold the majority of same. On the strength of the Great Mogul for each member to go down in his jeans to see how much could be raised from the 1013 men, he was more than delighted that not more than 76 cents was the total. This was a grand showing of the prosperity of the order, for if at a meeting of no matter how many or few members present, there should be one dollar or more among them, the charter would have to be tendered. Three leading socks were invited to attend the meeting of the Lodge. The next meeting will be held at the city gravel bank. Will you a detailed account of the charter? Signed, A Member.

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## NEWS OF TO-DAY

SENATOR FRYE ELECTED PRESIDENT PRO TEM OF THE SENATE.

DEATH OF W. H. ENGLISH, OF INDIANA

Sensation in Congress—Defense of Secession by a South Carolinian

Resolution of Censure—More About the Bryan Murder.

Senate.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—First hour convened in the election of Frye, Rep., of Maine, as president pro tem. The election was unanimous and was marked by a display of good nature and complimentsmen under such circumstances.

The resolution to distribute the appropriation bill was referred to committee on rules.

House.

The debate on the free silver substitute bond bill was continued. Very few members were present.

Newlands, silverite from Nevada, made a vigorous argument in favor of the free and independent coinage of silver. Hartman, (Rep. Mont.) Kem, (Pop. N.Y.) followed in favor of free silver, and Fucker (Dem. Va.) against.

SOUTH CAROLINA TREASON.

A CONGRESSMAN FROM THAT STATE DEFENDS SECESSION AND CREATES A BREEZE IN THE HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The house today became involved in a bitter controversy which sprang from some remarks made by Talbot (S. C.) in defense of secession which Barrett (Mass.) interpreted as treasonable. He had the speaker's words taken down and offered a resolution of censure. After a wrangle and some explanations the resolution was referred to the committee on judiciary by a vote of 154 to 41. This is understood to mean that no notice will be taken of the matter.

Talbert rose to a question of personal privilege touching what he claimed was a published misrepresentation of himself. Pearson had, he said, made an unwarranted attack on the loyalty of his state, which he declared as loyal as any in the Union. Pearson said North Carolina followed South Carolina out of the Union and got whipped along with the Palmetto state. Talbert admitted he impulsively replied that South Carolina was not ashamed of her action then; that he then thought South Carolina right and thought so yet, and under the circumstances, surrounded by the same conditions, would do the same thing again. "Now Mr. Speaker," said Talbert, "I repeat it." Barrett (Rep. Mass.) then demanded that the words be taken down, declaring that Talbot was violating his oath of office to support the Union by declaring that under certain circumstances he would favor secession. Considerable sparring back and forth followed amid growing excitement, but finally Talbert explained, declaring that South Carolina was as loyal as any state in the Union; that the circumstances under which she seceded could not exist again and he was glad of it.

W. H. ENGLISH IS DEAD.

Was the Democratic Nominee for Vice President in 1860.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 7.—Hon. William H. English died to-day. He was the Democratic nominee for vice-president in 1860, when W. S. Hancock ran for president. Mr. English was a leading Indianapolis banker and was widely known as a politician.

He died in his rooms in the Hotel English at noon to day and had been ill with the grippe two weeks. Then rheumatism set in and the heart's action became bad. In the past three days the patient had lapses of unconsciousness. Since last night he was able only at intervals to recognize those about him. Only members of the family were at the bedside at the time of death. The funeral will occur Sunday afternoon.

THE BOND SALE.

Supposed Morgan Syndicate Will Get Fifty Millions.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—Classifying bids for the new loan above the rate bid by the Morgan syndicate is completed. Secretary Carlisle laid the result before the president at the cabinet meeting this afternoon. It is supposed the Morgan syndicate will get in the neighborhood of fifty millions.

Death of Elder D. D. Miller.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Feb. 7.—Elder D. D. Miller, who for twenty-five years was a resident of Bloomington, died in Chicago yesterday aged 80 years, leaving six grown children. He was born in Mishawaka, Ind., and in his boyhood went to Bethany, Va., where he became an intimate friend of Alexander Campbell, the founder of the Disciples of Christ and the Christian church. He became a preacher of that faith, and arose to prominence and fame as an evangelist. During his work as a minister he baptized more than 3000 converts.

Paving Company Falls.

BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 7.—A petition was filed to-day asking the appointment of a receiver for the J. W. Winslow Jones Paving company, capital \$150,000. The company had several branch concerns. Allegations of insolvency made and admitted in pleadings. It is understood the trouble was the result of the Fort Stanwix National Bank, of Rome, N. Y., in which Winslow Jones, head of the concern mentioned, was deeply involved.

Killed in a Railroad Accident.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 7.—The Baltimore & Ohio switch engine ran into an electric car this morning, killing the conductor and fatally injuring a passenger. A number of passengers were slightly hurt.

## THE BRYAN MURDER.

Jackson Reported to Have Killed the Girl with Poisonous Hypodermical Injections.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 7.—Walling, one of the men under arrest charged with complicity in the murder of Pearl Bryan, is reported in an interview as saying that Jackson used hydrocyanic acid or cocaine and arsenic, which he injected hypodermically, to get away with the girl. A hypodermic syringe has been found in Jackson's room with a bottle containing a fluid the nature of which has not been determined.

Walling to day sent for the reporters and delivered a statement in which he confessed that all clues that he furnished as to the locality of the girl's head were misleading. He declared that he buried it in the sandbar at Dayton, a suburb near Fort Thomas, Ky. The detectives, with a large force of laborers, have gone to search for the head.

A SINGULAR CONDITION.

Plenty of Water but No Way to Stop a Damaging Conflagration.

SOMERVILLE, N. J., Feb. 7.—About twenty houses were burned in a fire at Bound Brook last night or swept away by the overflow of the Raritan river. When the fire first started the local volunteer fire department seeing it would be unable to cope with it called on Somerville and Springfield for assistance. Engines started for that point but were cut off by high water so the fire burned itself out. At the same time the water was flowing through the main street of the town six to ten feet deep. As far as can be learned, only one life was lost, that of a man named Miller who was out in a boat rescuing people from the upper stories of their homes, when the boat was upset by the current and he was drowned.

THE SULTAN'S LETTER.

He Assures Queen Victoria that the Armenians were the Aggressors.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 7.—The Sultan replied to an autograph letter from Queen Victoria touching the condition of affairs in Armenia. The Sultan declared the reports of massacres were spread by evil disposed persons and that contrary to reports it was the Turks who were first attacked while praying in a Mosque. The Sultan assures the Queen that he has succeeded in restoring order except at Zeitoun, where negotiations are going on which will undoubtedly result in the settlement of the difficulties.

Hounds Track an Ohio Thief.

WILMINGTON, O., Feb. 7.—A verdict of guilty was brought in by the jury in the case of John Williams, a brickmason, charged with stealing from G. W. Stump.

On the night of Dec. 7, Stump's meat shop was robbed of two halves of different cheese. There was not the slightest trace of the robber. Wm. Britton, who owned two bloodhounds, decided to try them. Taking them to the shop, they found the scent. It led to the house of John Williams, who was not suspected. The meat was found salted down in Williams' garret. His arrest followed. The hounds will be used hereafter to track criminals.

Weather To-Night and Saturday.

CHICAGO, Feb. 7.—Illinois: Generally fair to-night; Saturday colder; to-night northwest winds.

Iowa: Fair; to-night; Saturday colder southeast; to-night warmer northwest; Saturday northerly winds.

Wisconsin: Fair; to-night; Saturday colder; to-night warmer west; Saturday westerly winds.

South Dakota: Fair, warmer to night; Saturday winds shifting to southerly.

Nebraska: Fair; to-night; Saturday warmer; central-west to-night; warmer Saturday; variable winds.

Flood Strikes Terror to a City.

MORRISTOWN, N. J., Feb. 7.—The residents of the lower section of the town were in a state of terror all night on account of floods caused by the breaking of the Poconos lake dam. People had to take to the upper stories of their houses until removed in boats. The water was seven to ten feet deep. No lives were lost. The flood has receded until this morning it is only three or four feet deep.

Others could be seen struggling away in the mass of debris, clinging to it and crying frantically for help, while a number never came in sight after the bridge went down.

All of Bristol was at once aroused and preparations and volunteers immediately rushed to the scene of the disaster. The night was darkness itself, and, with the boiling stream overrunning its banks on both sides, efforts to rescue in the darkness were fraught with the greatest danger.

There was a long and bitter fight over the form of ballot to be used in the primaries, and it was finally agreed to have on the ballot "for bimetallism."

The resolutions adopted explained bimetallism to mean the free coinage of both gold and silver at the present ratio.

The convention to select delegates to the national convention meets June 23.

THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS.

Expected to be Announced from the Treasury Department To-day.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—By working day and night with expert accountants, Assistant Secretary Curtis hopes to be able to announce to-morrow the names of those who were the successful bidders at the bond opening on Wednesday.

The treasury has already in hand ready for delivery \$40,000,000 registered bonds and \$20,000,000 coupon bonds.

Practically all of the bonds have been printed and will be ready for distribution in ample time.

STORM AND FLOOD.

Bringing Disaster to Many Towns and Cities in the East.

St. Louis, Feb. 7.—Dispatches from innumerable points in the east tell of unprecedented rains, accompanied by destructive winds, and followed by sudden floods, the three causes combining in the destruction of much property and some loss of life.

Dropped Dead in Church.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 7.—"Father" Gaskins, an aged and well-known colored preacher, dropped dead Wednesday night in his pew at the Shiloh Baptist church, while exhorting his people. The service was about to close, when Pastor Taylor stated that they expected to hear a few words from Father Gaskins. The old man arose, and in a weak voice said that he had not been in Shiloh Church for many months and that maybe the people before whom he stood might never hear him again. He spoke of some of some of the preachers who had gone before. Suddenly he grew weak and faint.

"Oh, Christians, love one another," he exclaimed, and reeled and fell. Members of the congregation ran to him and picked him up. He was dead.

Rescued by Life Savers.

JACKSONVILLE, Ill., Feb. 7.—The annual meeting of the Capital District Medical Society was held in the rooms of the Morgan County Medical Society in this city yesterday. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Dr. C. E. Black; vice-president, Dr. Catto of Decatur; Dr. E. F. Baker of Jacksonville, and Dixon of Springfield; secretary, Dr. F. E. Norbury; treasurer Dr. Matheny of Springfield. Judicial council, Drs. Brown Black, Griffith, Buenam and Harvey.

Organized a McKinley Club.

FRANKLIN, Ind., Feb. 7.—A McKinley club was organized at a meeting held in the city hall to-night. It is probable that the Allison men, who are numerous here, will organize a rival club, as the strength of the two is almost equal.

## AN AWFUL WRECK.

Bristol Bridge Carried Away by the Flood

AND FOURTEEN HUMAN LIVES LOST.

Part of the Structure Gave Way First and the Greater Disaster Occurred While Brave Workmen were Trying to Repair the Damage.

BRISTOL, Feb. 7.—A most appalling disaster occurred here shortly after nine o'clock last night in which 20 working men were precipitated into Pequabuck river from the east Bristol bridge and from ten to twelve of them are probably lost.

The structure was found to be shabby and the 4:42 train on the New England road had a narrow escape from wreck as it crossed on the way to Hartford.

For some time the bridge had been looked upon with suspicion, and at the present time a new bridge was in process of erection, and was almost completed. It was close alongside the bridge which was then carried away.

After the east-bound passenger train had passed to-night, one side of the old bridge gave way to the current, and with a crash went boiling down stream. The managers of the road immediately dispatched a wrecking train from Hartford, which arrived on the Forestville side of the Pequabuck at 5:45. There were 40 men on the train all of whom had come from Hartford. They were immediately set to work to make the new bridge passable and work was progressing satisfactorily by the aid of lanterns up to nine o'clock. To facilitate the work half of the men were located on the remaining portion of the old structure.

At nine o'clock they were passing iron girders to another gang of men on the new bridge.

The waters of the Pequabuck had been continually rising since morning, and at nine o'clock were higher than ever known. The water had risen two or three feet since the first crash at five o'clock, and the remainder of the bridge was really tottering while the men were courageously standing upon it.

The outer end suddenly sank with a crash, with its human freight, and was carried off in the boiling current.

The cries of the men, the crashing of timber and the falling of the ironwork made a combined noise which was heard half a mile away.

The half of the gang which had been resting on more solid foundation were horror-stricken to see their working companions so suddenly precipitated to death. In an instant, however, they were resolved into a rescuing party, and every effort was made to save the drowning men. Two men were fortunate enough to reach shore by their own exertions, immediately after the fearful fall. A third was saved by a workman, who plunged in after him and brought him to the shore. Finally a fourth, a fifth and then a sixth were saved by the heroic efforts of comrades.

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FEBRUARY.

1-SATURDAY.	16-SUNDAY.
2-MONDAY.	17-TUESDAY.
3-TUESDAY.	18-WEDNESDAY.
4-WEDNESDAY.	19-THURSDAY.
5-THURSDAY.	20-FRIDAY.
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9-MONDAY.	24-TUESDAY.
10-TUESDAY.	25-WEDNESDAY.
11-WEDNESDAY.	26-THURSDAY.
12-THURSDAY.	27-FRIDAY.
13-FRIDAY.	28-SATURDAY.

MOON'S PHASES.

Last quarter, 12th; new moon, 13th; first quar-  
ter, 21st; full moon, 26th.

ECLIPSES.

Anular eclipse of the sun, 13th; invisible in  
North America. Partial eclipse of the moon,  
26th; invisible in North America.

Anything to Beat McKinley.

The following from the Chicago Evening  
Journal will be of interest not only to  
McKinley Republicans but those who  
favor Cullom as well:

It was stated to-day that it was not  
improbable an attempt would be made  
at the approaching Republican county  
convention to secure an endorsement  
of the candidacy of Shelby  
M. Cullom for president. It was even  
stated that the resolution is now pro-  
posed, and, in the strongest manner, will  
commit the Republican party organization  
of Cook county to Mr. Cullom.

It may be, however, that the men who  
have this little scheme in hand may  
think better of it on second thought, for  
the introduction of such a resolution  
would be certain to produce the biggest  
kind of a rumpus. It would not be con-  
fined to the anti-machine men either,  
because, it must be remembered, the  
county machine managers are not by  
any means united on Mr. Cullom's can-  
didacy, nor, in fact, upon that of any  
man.

John R. Tanner and Dr. Jamieson, for  
instance, are said to be strong Men; Martin  
B. Madson is said to be committed  
to Senator Allison, while there are  
only a few of the comparatively minor  
leaders, like President Healy and Henry  
J. Hertz, shouting for Cullom.

UNITED ON ONE POINT.

The only point regarding the presi-  
dential campaign on which there is  
said to be absolute unity among the  
Cook county leaders is opposition to  
McKinley. This is the only proposition  
upon which they might all be depended  
upon to agree to Cook county giving an  
expression of favor to Senator Cullom.  
It would be the only proposition upon  
which they might even be induced to go  
into a plan to deliver the vote of Illinois  
to Mr. Cullom in the national conven-  
tion, not with any idea of ultimately  
winning out with the "favorite son of  
Illinois," but with the idea that McKinley  
and his henchmen could be held off  
from Illinois with Cullom easier than in  
any other way until the time came for a  
vote.

The supporters of McKinley in this  
region have linked the name of the  
Ohioans with every attempt to break the  
machine, and with the name of every  
outsider who has tried to break into the  
band-wagon, and, having failed, has  
started an independent campaign of his  
own.

On this account the Cook county lead-  
ers will agree among themselves to al-  
most any plan to keep McKinley out of  
Illinois. This is the reason why people  
who are studying this campaign and the  
politicians who are conducting it are in-  
clined to give credence to the story that a  
Cullom resolution will be sprung in  
the county convention, which meets one  
week from Saturday.

This completely expresses the present  
condition of the Cook county machine  
and its country attachment. They  
started out to control the Illinois delega-  
tion in the National convention and  
throw it against the people's choice.  
The delegation has been promised, by  
these gentlemen, to another candidate,  
one who is not the present choice of the  
people. Why do they desire the nomi-  
nation of a candidate the people do not  
prefer? The answer is easy. If the  
people's choice is nominated a few men  
cannot control the patronage. If a few  
men can pocket a state delegation and  
swing it as they please, and nominate a  
man who is not the first choice of the  
Republican voters, that coterie of ma-  
chine politicians in that event will have  
complete control of the patronage even  
down to the naming of the postmasters of  
a state. The name of Cullom is  
being used by these people simply as a  
means to get control of the Illinois delega-  
tion in the country to "stop it," as  
the Journal says, to the man they  
promised it to. A majority of this  
machine were against Cullom for senator  
last winter, and to assume they are  
honestly for him for President now is  
supreme nonsense. They will not tie  
up the Chicago delegation by any sort  
of honest instructions for Cullom.  
They don't want the delegation tied up.  
That's precisely what they are scheming  
to prevent, and their pretense that they  
are for Cullom is simply part of the  
scheme to deceive the people and get  
control of the Illinois delegation.

We are told that Illinois should name  
the next president. That is not quite  
what they mean. They want Illinois to  
attempt to name some man for president  
who is not the choice of the people.  
Illinois can name the next president by

declaring for the choice of the voter-  
McKinley; but the machine would  
rather try to name some other man and  
make a mistake, as it did in 1888 in the  
case of Gresham.

If there was any hope of Cullom's  
nomination, the situation would be just  
as it was when he was re-elected to the  
Senate. The people would be for him  
and the Cook county machine would be  
against him. The Chicago Journal  
article touches the button and the peo-  
ple should do the rest.

The Chicago Tribune has exhibited  
commendable enterprise in canvassing  
Indians to find out for itself what candi-  
date will profit most by the withdrawal  
of Harrison. Its columns yesterday as  
the result of the investigation will serve  
to stimulate the McKinley boom in  
other states, for from every point in In-  
diana with rare exceptions, the word  
comes that the people are for McKinley.  
What is true of Indiana is true of other  
states. Why are they for McKinley?  
Because at this particular time the peo-  
ple want to return to a logical protective  
tariff and McKinley more than any  
other man represents that idea accord-  
ing to the notions of the people. The  
people admire McKinley because he was  
one of the few public leaders who, after  
the defeat of 1892, did not become con-  
fused and disheartened, but, on the con-  
trary, stood up like a man of convictions  
and declared that protection to Ameri-  
can industries was right and in due  
time the people would again turn to it  
for relief.

This defeat of the District of Columbia  
appropriation bill by the house probably  
marks the turning point in a species of  
legislation which has crept into our poli-  
tique and which has no business in state  
matters. The bill, like similar appro-  
priation bills for years, carried appropri-  
ations for secretarial institutions in the  
District of Columbia, and the majority  
in the present house concluded it must  
stop and the entire bill was defeated,  
and the committee was ordered to report a  
bill without appropriations to any sec-  
retarial institution.

The next Republican nominee for  
president will be elected, but if the  
people are consulted and they are given  
their choice, the next Republican vic-  
tory will settle the tariff question for  
the next fifty years, and that without  
explanation during the campaign.

The interviews published in yester-  
day's Chicago Tribune from Indiana,  
answers the question, "Who is profited  
by the withdrawal of Harrison?" It  
was all one way—for McKinley.

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mucous surfaces of the system. Price,  
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Testimonials free.

Con Trecker, of Odell, is figuring on  
an opera house, if he can get others to  
join him. He will put in \$1000 if others  
will put in \$3000, and put up a \$4000  
house.

A Household Treasure.

D. W. Fuller, of Conashohar, N. Y.  
says that he always keeps Dr. King's  
New Discovery in the house, and his  
family has always found the very best  
results follow its use; that he would not  
be without it, if procurable. G. A.  
Dykeman, druggist, Catakill, N. Y., says  
that Dr. King's New Discovery is un-  
doubtedly the best Cough remedy; that  
he has used it in his family for eight  
years, and it never failed to do all that it  
claimed for it. Why not try a remedy  
so long tried and tested? Trial bottles  
free at King & Metz's drug store. Reg-  
ular size 50c and \$1.00.

CHAMBERS MILLS and family, who have  
resided near Tolono for the past twenty-  
one years, will remove next week to  
Darko county, O., their former home.

Diagnosis of Grippe.

Tragically grippe is a germ disease. These  
germs are in the circulation and per-  
vade every tissue and organ of the body.  
This brings speedy collapse and often  
death to the aged and debilitated. The  
only germs known that searches  
out and destroys every grippe germ in  
the system is Brazilian Balm. A week  
or ten days' treatment effects a complete  
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required. It is guaranteed to give perfect  
satification, or money returned. Price  
25 cents per box. For Sale By KING & METZ.

WILLIE MITZ, of Forrest, aged 9, had  
his nose kicked almost entirely off by a  
frantic colt.

"GIVE me a liver regulator and I can  
regulate the world," said a genius. The  
druggist handed him a bottle of Dr.  
Witt's Little Early Risers, the famous  
little pills. West's Drug Store.

The body of Mrs. Amanda Crowder,  
aged 60 years, was found in a creek at  
Pawnee, Sangamon county.

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right time if you take it when you have  
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from Greenland, his ship will reach  
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and brain and lungs  
the further he  
will sail on the  
ocean, the higher  
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balloon, and the deeper he will dive into  
the intricacies of his business or profes-  
sion. A man's glory is his strength. The  
world has small use for weaklings, and, it  
is said, only strong men have a place  
for the world. But sickness is generally  
an unnecessary evil. It is almost a crime  
against nature to be ill. If you are ill and  
feel repellant, anxious to undo the mis-  
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Discovery. Don't be despondent because  
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Men's 15.00	" " "	11.25

Boys' \$ 2.50	Suits and Overcoats	... \$1.50
Boys' 3.00	" " "	1.88
Boys' 3.00	" " "	2.25
Boys' 3.50	" " "	2.63
Boys' 4.00	" " "	3.00
Boys' 5.00	" " "	3.95

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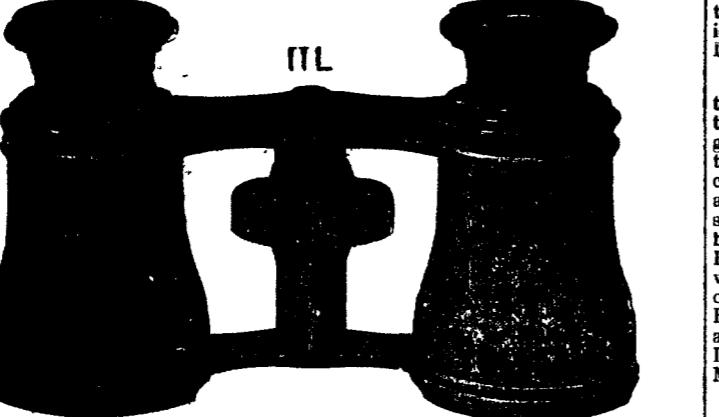
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LOCAL NEWS.

NEXT Friday will be St. Valentine's day.

EVERYTHING at popular prices at the

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THE best 50c line of Neckwear in town

at Smith & Calkins'. 5-d6

WHEATLEY will have a splendid line of

Lowney's candies for the opera opening.

Go to Henry Bros' bakery for all

kinds of cakes, pies, etc. dec26-dtf

STOCK sales near Blue Mound: Feb. 19

at the home of Eli Drennan; Feb. 25 at

the home of H. J. Yarnell.

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

TRY DULUTH IMPERIAL FLOUR.

The Best Spring Wheat Flour on Earth.

THE George Damery sale near Blue

Mound took place to-day. Some time

ago Mr. D. sold his farm to George Had-

don. He has moved his family to Ma-

con.

EXTRA quality fine blue, black and

tan Hose for 15c—a world beater.

5-d6 SMITH & CALKINS.

One of the Haines Upright pianos, to

be had only at the C. B. Prescott music

house, is in place at the Grand Opera

house. It will be a fixture in the

orchestra space.

Just before going to bed, eat a Casca-

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fine in the morning.

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THE Buyers' and Merchants' Benefit

Bureau saves you 4 per cent on your

entire living expenses. Call upon the

manager L. Chodat and learn how.

JOHN WILLIAMS, late of the gas com-

pany electric light plant, has been em-

ployed to take general charge of the

James Millikin bank building and is now

on duty. He will also manage the steam

power plant.

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NO BETTER soft coal in this market

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MINERVA J. Braden has filed in the

circuit court a bill asking for a divorce

from her husband, Rufus Braden, whom

she charges with extreme and repeated

cruelty. She says that they were mar-

ried at March 24, 1874, and that she

has ever been a wife good and true while

Rufus has utterly disregarded his mar-

riage vows and failed to show her that

kind consideration which was her due as

his lawful spouse. She cites various

times and places when he had assaulted

her. The defendant is the restaurant

keeper at 129 East Main street.

A Good Entertainment.

The entertainment given last evening by

Leland T. Powers at the Christian

Tabernacle was attended by a large au-

dience. The entertainment was a splen-

dido one. Mr. Powers presented David

Garrick, impersonating each of the sev-

eral characters in the piece. The way

in which he controls his voice is re-

markable, and his facial play is won-

derful. At times the spectators could

almost imagine that several different

persons were on the platform speaking.

The entertainment was one of the Royal

Lyceum course.

Good Prospects for Building.

The architects say the indications are

that there will be considerable building

the coming season. Quite a number of

residences will be erected and there are

prospects of business houses being built

and old ones remodeled. At the office

of one of the lumber companies it is re-

ported that their orders for lumber are

larger at the present time than they

were much later in the season last year.

No Money.

In reply to a wild kick Street Super-

intendent Alexander states that he

would be only too glad to yank the mud

off the paved streets if there was any

money in the streets and alley fund to

foot the bills. So it appears that the mud

will have to remain where it is.

Will Observe the Day.

At the meeting of the Coeur de Leon

Lodge, No. 17, held last night, it was

voted to observe the anniversary of

Pythianism and the silver anniversary

of the organization of No. 17 on Wednes-

day night, Feb. 19. The program will

be announced next week.

Reported Seriously Ill.

Mrs. H. C. Wallace has been called to

Hot Springs, Ark., to attend her hus-

band, who is reported seriously ill at

that city. Mr. Wallace went south to

secure relief from rheumatism.

Twenty-five ladies, all more than 70

years of age, attended a violet lunch,

con given by a Springfield lady of 79.

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BECOMES A LAW.

Anti-Prize Fight Bill signed by Reed, Frye and the President.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 7.—Speaker Reed signed the anti-prize fight bill at 2:40 this afternoon. President pro tem Frye of the senate also signed the bill. The President signed the bill at 4:35 o'clock.

IOWA LEGISLATURE.

Bills Passed and Introduced—Other matters Considered.

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 7.—In the house the anti-cigarette bill, after a sharp fight, was referred to the committee on public health. The resolution was adopted calling for an itemized report of expenses of the monument committee. The house refused to concur in the senate resolution for a special committee of twenty-five to report on soldiers' monument affairs.

House bills passed: Providing that attachments shall hold till determination of suit—Providing that residents of state may be sued in any court where service is secured. The fraternal insurance bill was taken up but consideration was not completed at the hour of adjournment.

In the senate: Bills introduced, by Carpenter, amending laws governing state boards of health; by Ellis, allowing the manufacture of liquors on the line of mule law; by Lathrop, allowing second class cities to issue bonds in payment of warrants; by Hotchkiss, providing punishment for insolvent insurance companies doing business; by Palmer, regulating sale of nursery stock. The remainder of the morning session was spent discussing restriction on introduction of bills and work on code. All finally sent to code revision committee adjourned.

Storm and Flood in New York.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—The storm which began Wednesday night reached a hurricane force yesterday and continues today but greatly moderated. Throughout the country tributary to New York, particularly in New Jersey, traffic is much impeded by washouts, and large tracts of country are flooded including portions of cities situated on the water courses.

Hammond Out on Bail.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 7.—Vice Consul Knight cabled the State department that the cases of Americans arrested at Johannesburg, under preliminary examination, were cited to formal trial April 21. Hammond is out on bail.

Kentucky Joint Ballet.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 7.—The joint ballot for United States senator to-day passed off without war or exciting incident and without notable change from former ballots. No choice.

Held Under \$600 Bond.

To-day Oliver Cooper, a farmer living three miles west of the city, appeared before Justice Peddecord to answer a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses. Within the last three months Cooper borrowed \$300 from F. L. Abrams and J. W. Donahay, and showed as security a lot of cattle, horses and calves. The notes came due, and a few days ago Constable Connard was sent out to levy on the live stock. Cooper showed the constable fine live stock in the field of a man named Miller adjoining his own place. The constable said before taking the stock away that he would see Mr. Miller, and on doing this he found that the live stock did not belong to Cooper at all. Abrams and Donahay swore out state warrants for Cooper charging him with obtaining money under false pretenses, and to-day Constable Connard arrested him and brought him before Justice Peddecord. Bunn and Park are the attorneys for the defendant and the plaintiffs were represented by Attorneys Buckingham, Hosteller, Webber and Leforge. They agreed to waive examination and Justice Peddecord put Cooper under \$300 bond for each offense to await the June term of court. George and Al Cooper signed his bond. Cooper has been in financial trouble before.

Funeral of C. W. Snyder.

The funeral of Charles W. Snyder was held this afternoon at 3 o'clock at his late residence, No. 858 North Water street. There was a large attendance. The services were conducted by Rev. W. H. Penhaligon and music was rendered by a choir composed of Mrs. A. W. Conklin, Mrs. J. D. Henkle, Troy Alexander and Sherman McClelland. The burial was at Greenwood cemetery. The pallbearers were William Cash, T. P. Mattheus, William Downing, Will Leiby, C. F. Armstrong and C. A. Towne.

Oscar Johnson Wins.

Oscar Johnson defeated Lee Becker in the shooting match which took place this morning at Downing's barn, west of Oak Park. They shot at 25 live birds for \$20 a side. Johnson killed 20 and Becker 14 out of the 25 birds. The big handicap shoot is taking place this afternoon. There are fifteen or twenty sportsmen entered in the shoot, and 500 birds will be killed. A large number of enthusiasts are present.

Secured a Pension.

Charles Diehl is a patient at the Kanakoo asylum. He is a veteran of the old 68th Illinois regiment. Through the efforts of Attorney Lamb of Jacksonville, Attorney A. H. Mills of Decatur, and Congressman Connolly, Diehl has been granted a pension of \$12 a month, dating from August, 1894. Mr. Mills is the conservator for Diehl. He has received a check for \$100.20 on the allowance.

The Fulton Bros. of Mason City, are shipping hay from Missouri.

Don't invite disappointment by experimenting. Depend upon One Minute Cough Cure and you have immediate relief. It cures croup. The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. West's Drug Store.



FRIDAY, FEB. 7, 1896

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 7, 1896.  
The REPUBLICAN is indebted to B. Z. Taylor, dealer in grain, provisions and stocks, with offices in Chicago, New York, Cincinnati, St. Louis, and St. Paul, for the following market quotations:

	Open-	High-	Low-	Clos-
Wheat				
February	65	66 1/2	64 1/2	66 1/2
March	67	68 1/2	65 1/2	68 1/2
July	66 1/2	67 1/2	66 1/2	67 1/2
Corn				
January				98 1/2
May	30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2
July	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2
Oats	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
Flour	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2
Pork	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
Feb.	10 37 1/2	10 37 1/2	10 37 1/2	10 37 1/2
May	5 80	5 80	5 75 1/2	5 75 1/2
Ribes	5 40	5 40	5 32 1/2	5 32 1/2

May wheat: publ. 67; calls, 69 1/2; curb,

TO-DAY'S HIGH-MARKET LIST.

Wheat—141. Estimated, 60. Year ago, 16.

Corn—122. Estimated, 100. Year ago, 53.

Oats—102. Estimated, 102. Year ago, 82.

SOY-MATES FOR TO-MORROW.

Wheat, 94; Corn, 200; oats, 171.

Hog receipts 10,000; estimated 10,000. Market five cents higher. Light, \$4.00-\$4.30; mixed \$4.00-\$4.25; heavy, \$4.25-\$5; rough, \$4.00-\$4.15.

Estimated for to-morrow, 10,000.

Receipts from Minneapolis to-day were 322, and Duluth got 262 cars of wheat, a total of 584.

Total clearances of wheat 185,370, 25,590 bushels and flour, equaling 287,000 bushels.

Total clearances of corn, 200,297 bush.

DECATUR STOCK MARKET.

The following are the ruling prices paid by local dealers for stock:

	25c	35c	45c	55c
Cattle and Horses	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
Hogs	3,750	3,750	3,750	3,750
Calves	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500
Sheep	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
Export Cattle	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000

NEW YORK STOCKS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Stocks opened weak, lower in sympathy with lower prices for American securities in London, and free selling for both foreign and domestic account.

Good buying followed and entire list improved under leadership of industrials. Market eleven dull and steady.

PHOENIX QUOTATIONS.

PHOENIX, Feb. 7.—Corn firm, No. 2, 28. Oats inactive, No. 2, white, 30 1/2¢@31¢. Rye, 40 1/2¢@41¢.

ST. LOUIS MARKET.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 7.—Wheat, cash, No. 2, red, 72¢; May, 68 1/2¢. Corn, cash, 30 1/2¢. May, 27 1/2¢. Oats, cash, 19 1/2¢. May, 21.

NEW WOMAN IN TROUBLE.

Proposes to a Young Nebraska Man Simpler to Get in Practice.

SARATOGA, Neb., Feb. 7.—The new woman of Saratoga is in trouble. As a result of her devotion to the cause of equal rights, Miss Emily Hayes, one of the most ardent workers for the emancipation of her sex, is in a fair way to have a breach of promise cast on her hands. Miss Hayes has always contended that women have as good a right to propose marriage as the men. About Jan. 1 it occurred to her that early in leap year would be a good time to put her long cherished plan into practice.

Frank Bradley went to Tucson this morning on business.

L. L. Bobbitt will leave to-morrow for New York City on a business trip.

States Attorney I. R. Mills went to Sullivan this morning on a business trip.

Shot by His Mistress.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 7.—Louis Frank, aged 21, son of respectable parents, was shot and fatally wounded by his former mistress last night. The woman was mad with jealousy.

Paleontologist Dead.

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 7.—Charles Wachsmuth Swords, the great paleontologist, died suddenly to day, aged 66.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Smith and son, David, went to Atwood this morning to see Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Lydia Barrett, who is dangerously ill.

Peter Helmback returned last evening from his trip to the South. While in Texas Mr. H. visited Captain Geo. F. Zeiss, and brought home samples of corn raised on the captain's big farm.

Rev. Koeneke, of St. Louis, arrived here this morning and will leave this afternoon for Moweaqua, where he will assist the pastor of the German M. E. church at that place in conducting a revival meeting.

Mrs. Kimber Brought Home.

Miss Clara Kimber, who has been dangerously ill at Springfield where she went to visit friends, is much improved and was able to be brought home yesterday. Her mother, Mrs. W. F. Kimber and sister, Miss May Kimber, accompanied her home from Springfield.

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Marriage Licenses.

Charles Doane, Cisco.....22  
Viola L. Coffman, French Creek.....19  
J. W. Hamilton, Atwood.....24  
Alberta Roper, Decatur.....25  
Edward Forrest, Illinois.....22  
Mrs. Julia Welch, Illinois.....22

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THE MUSICAL CULTURE CLUB.

They Hold Their Regular Meeting at the Home of Miss Roberts.

The semi-monthly meeting of the Musical Culture club was held this morning at the home of Miss Margaret Roberts on Prairie Avenue. It was decided to limit the membership to fifty and to allow only musicians to become members. The musical selections in the program observed were all by Schumann and Schubert. The following numbers were rendered in an excellent manner. Schubert—Ent' Acte II...from "Rosamonde." Misses Hoby and Irwin.

Paper—Schuman and Schubert....Mrs. Vall Schumann—(a) "Warum." (b) Evealing Song. (c) Bird of Prophet

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## THE PUGS PUZZLED.

### The Prompt Action of the House and Senate in

#### PASSING THE ANTI-PRICE FIGHT LAW

Leaves Them Without an Arena for  
Their Carnival of Brutality, for  
Which They Blame the Brave  
Band of El Paso Ministers.

EL PASO, Feb. 6.—That the passage  
of the anti-prize-fight bill has struck  
consternation to the managers of the  
fistic carnival was made plain to-day  
when the contractors for the platform  
began rushing around hunting carpenters  
to complete their part of the work. It was soon learned that they  
had decided to pull off the Maher-  
Fitzsimmons fight to-morrow morning  
before the president signs the bill.

Julian and Stewart held a protracted  
consultation at which Fitzsimmons  
was an attentive listener. Maher was  
telephoned at Las Cruces and every-  
thing seemed to be agreed upon, but  
when word came that the senate had  
passed the bill promptly, it seemed to  
dampen their ardor and it appeared to  
outsiders that Maher became frightened  
lest the president should sign the  
bill and it became a law so early to-  
morrow as to make the fighters subject  
to the penalty.

Everything is activity to-night, and  
while Stuart is giving it out that the  
programme will be carried out as ad-  
vertised, it is plain that he is not sur-  
of his ground, and that the bill  
passed by congress cuts off the only  
sure locality where the fight could be  
pulled off and the participants escape  
with a light fine.

It is reported that favorable tele-  
grams were received from Mexico this  
afternoon, but those opposing the fight  
are confident that the battle will never  
take place on Mexican soil.

It is reported that Fitzsimmons has

been notified that he could not train

any longer in Mexico.

The report comes from reliable sources, and it is

thought the Australian will have to

hunt new quarters, if further training

is necessary.

There seems to be an inside ring on  
prize fight news composed only of  
those who will send out news entirely  
favorable to the prize fight manage-  
ment. All correspondents are sup-  
posed to submit their matter to a cen-  
sor who is expected to carefully guard  
against news going out likely to be injurious  
to the interests of the carnival.

Correspondents who do not submit to  
censorship are cut off from receiving  
news from headquarters.

There is a feeling among a great  
number of El Paso people that the ac-  
tion of Dan Stuwart in publishing to the

world that he had secured a battle-

ground where there would be no in-  
terference, partakes largely of the na-  
ture of a "bunco" game.

There is a large undercurrent of  
trouble brewing among the sports  
here owing to the way matters have  
been managed. El Pasosans have made  
big preparations to furnish a large  
crowd, and if the fight falls through  
now it will hurt many of our best citi-  
zens. Our hotel keepers have bought  
largely of cots, bedding, rented outside  
rooms and made extra preparations,  
while many private families have pur-  
chased furniture, some running in  
debt for the same, expecting to make  
enough from the crowds to pay for it.

The sports are loud in denunciation of  
the Ministers' union, and are trying to  
incite the people against the ministers,  
claiming that if the fights are not  
pulled off here, and El Paso loses  
money thereby, only the ministers are  
to blame.

Word received from Las Cruces to-

night would indicate that Maher is

perfectly quiet and it is generally be-  
lieved on the streets here that if Stu-  
art does not arrange for the battle to

take place the forfeit will be claimed

and the prize fighters will hunt pas-  
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## THE LAST OF THE TEN.

BY BONHOMME.

The old granny sat on the door step spinning; the mother and daughter were down at the river washing; little Paola was in the field watching the single peacock, all that remained of the gallant and strutting ten that had once been his especial charge. The grandma's heart was sad, for it was eight years since her son had been outlawed and had gone to hide in the mountains that overlooked the blue Mediterranean. The mother was pensive because she knew not when she would hear the cry: "He is taken! he is taken!" The little daughter was sorrowful because she had to kneel there by the river on Christmas, for they were too poor to remain idle even on winter. Paola was discontented; his beautiful flock of proud peacocks had been stolen; only one had been left by the brigands when they made their last descent from the mountains. Their goat, too, had disappeared. In the solitude of the mountain side near the shores of the lovely sea the lad reclined in the sunshine with his one peacock ambling haughtily around him like some princely dame with a profound disbelief in the saying about fine feathers. How grand she was, this splendid creature, with her feathers like rainbows in color and her tread that of an overconscious queen! The boy bent in adoration before her. "How splendid you are!" he said.

Yes; it was true. Little Paola adored this, the last of his pets. The loss of the others had made it more dear to him. They had once had two or three goats and he had a little hut all to himself overlooking the sea. Here he slept in storm and sunshine. A peacock may seem an odd sort of pet, but it is none the less true that a species of devotion existed between the disdainful bird and the peasant lad. The latter was the admirer; the former looked upon him with superior condescension. When it rained the boy took the last of the flock to his hut, where there was barely room for both of them within. The lad, it should be said, had once been devoted to a little, lazy, unfortunate donkey, but it was nothing compared to this affection. A donkey, he told himself, was well enough in its way, with its red tassels and bright harness, but it was not to be mentioned in the same category with this gorgeous and overwhelming creature whose attire was so bright and glowing that no princess in the world would compare with it. He guarded it as the apple of his eye, and granny said he had rather live with his gay and disdainful friend than with them, which probably was true. Granny was a very discerning old lady, but she was a mournful companion, for she often rocked to and fro and lamented their hard lot. Such bewailings were not cheering, and Paola preferred the mountain side, the shade of the olive trees, the beach running down to the caressing sea, the blue sky that changed at sunset and—above all—the last of the ten.

But on that day when granny sat spinning and the mother and daughter were washing, a misfortune befell Paola. A priest who passed him called out:

"Paola, are you not coming to church?"

"I cannot," was the reply. "It would run away." "It" was the last of the flock.

"I wonder why peacocks don't go to church?" thought the lad. "Such magnificent beings must have a soul, if I have, who am ugly, ragged, dirty and—and—hungry."

This problem occupied his attention for some time and he glanced with commiseration at his gorgeous companion whose feathers just then had assumed their most imposing appearance. It was a new aspect of their relationship. Heretofore he had been the humble one, mutely adoring; now a sense of superiority swept over him and he pitifully surveyed his feathered friend. But the latter was as disdainful as ever. It seemed a hardened sinner who cared not whether or no it flaunted its gaudy feathers through the golden gates. "Don't pity me; I'll have a good time while I'm here," it seemed to say. "Just watch me strut around and admire myself." And the boy grieved greatly. But its exultation was of brief endurance. A shadow fell upon them and a harsh voice was heard:

"Hello, boy!"

The lad looked up and saw a fierce bearded man whose aspect would have terrified almost anyone.

"How do you do, sir," said Paola, politely. "You're a brigand, aren't you?"

"You've guessed it. Now don't cry out, youngster. If you do, I'll wring your neck. Besides, who does you no good for this is a lonesome spot."

"What do you want?"

For answer the man seized the peacock, killed it and strode off with it, leaving the lad weeping as if his heart would break. He was alone in the world, for after all his home was no home, and he preferred his hut of rushes to the tiny, stuffy house of stone, where grandma was always grumbling. Sadly the sea moaned at his feet. It seemed to say: "You have lost your last friend, little boy; first they took your donkey, then your goat and now the last of your beautiful pets." The world little knows how the heart of a lad may be bound up in a pet. When he grows up a stronger passion may consume him, but not truer or sweeter than this devotion for a dumb creature. It is, often, the ideal Platonic devotion. He shields and protects; he is a father before he is a man; a grand protector. His heart is unselfish; the wants of the other are sometimes more than his wants. He is a veritable Eliazor in his regard for some animal and, like the Brahmin, he is kind, gentle and lovable.

When he had wept until he could weep no more Paola arose sorrowfully and became his but was now distressed to him made his way toward their home. The sun was sinking; the sky had taken a pensive dove color. Afar was a distant sail or two and Paola wished he were aboard one of those boats so distant. The rested motionless on the bosom of the sea. The boy's heart arose in rebellion. "I would like to be a Corsair; to rob and steal; others rob me; I they all I have; I will be a Corsair when I grow up. No; not a brigand, for I hate brigands; they but rob children. I would take great vessels and be a grand corsair and I would never steal from women and children." When he reached the house he heard a sound of merriment within and he hesitated to enter. Finally he summoned up courage and passed through the door. Then he stood still in surprise.

Around the table was a gay party. Grandam had donned her finest gilded bonnet which she had worn in her girlhood; the mother was dressed in her best and her little sister was seated in a high chair with her hair all braided. The table was set and there was stranger at the board. Paola gave a great cry when he recognized him in the brigand who had robbed him and would have fled through the door. But grandam seized him by the arm, holding him.

"Where are you going, little fool?" she asked. "Are you afraid of your father?"

"My father; he's a brigand! He robbed me! He stole from me! He is a thief."

"Hush!" said grandam, sternly, shaking his arm; "it is your father."

The man at the table turned boisterously to the boy:

"So it's you, my lad. I did not know you. Curse the laws of a land that separate a father from his son! He meets him and does not recognize his own offspring. So that was your bird I took. Well, well; I but robbed my own, after all, then. Behold it, all studded and roared. I had determined to take dinner this day with my family, in spite of the hounds that are after me. It's six years now since I've seen you all; oh, grandam?"

"Six years," croaked the old lady, "six long years since you were an honest man."

"Yes, six years that I've lived in a hole like a fox. But they haven't taken me yet. At any rate, we have a royal feast now. Peacocks were only for kings and barons in the old days. It is cheering to be seated at my own board once more. Come and embrace me, my Paola."

The boy looked at the table. The sight there caused his heart to harden and his mind became filled with bitterness. His grief was greater than that of the Italian noble who sacrificed his splendid falcon when he asked his lady to dine with him.

"I won't come near you," said the boy, sturdily. "Eh? Why not?" asked the other in surprise.

"You are a thief; you are not my father," he replied, clutching his hands. "This is a nice welcome, grandam," roared the brigand, laughing heartily.

"I had no father. I loved but one thing; you stole that; you killed it; you are a wicked man. I tell you so and you can kill me, if you like."

"The boy speaks truly," said a calm voice. The brigand sprang up in alarm and was confronted by the priest who had spoken to the boy earlier in the day. A stately, majestic man, beloved, venerated, almost feared because of those glittering eyes that seemed to pierce the soul!

"Who are you?" cried the brigand, confronting the intruder fiercely. "You know me—a priest," was the cold response in a voice that showed no fear, only tranquil authority. "It was I who married you; I who christened your children. And now I say your child has spoken well. Words of wisdom often fall from the lips of children. For years you have lived like a beast, an animal. You have now even robbed your own. For shame! Coward!"

"I did not know it, you meddlesome fellow!" retorted the brigand, almost mad with rage.

"The crime was none the less. I could give you up and your life would answer for your misgivings. Perhaps I should do so."

"You will not do that! I—" threateningly.

"I give you your choice," was the stern interruption; to meet your desires now or to live a new life. Listen; in the harbor is a large sailing boat; it goes to Spain to-night; from Spain you can sail to America. I will give you the funds. Once in that land, redeem the past and when you have done so send for your family. I will recommend you to the captain of the sailing vessel. Will you do this, miserable fellow, or do you prefer living in the mountains?"

The man fell on his knees; he could not resist the glittering eyes; such merciful words he had never heard before. He put his hands over his eyes. "Absolve me, father," he almost sobbed.

The priest lifted his ivory crucifix impressively. "Your sins are many. Not I, but Christ can forgive them. Go!"

The brigand turned to obey. "Father," cried Paola, springing forward.

The embrace once withheld was given and the father disappeared. In his joy Paola forgot the sacrifice of his pet.

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READ HER LOVER'S LETTERS.

They Were from His Other Girl, and Now

There is Trouble.

Amanda Peppard, aged 16, was held to the federal grand jury at St. Joseph, Mo., the other day, on a charge of opening and destroying letters addressed to Theodore Miller. Miller and the girl were lovers, but had a quarrel over the attentions paid by him to another girl. Miss Peppard called at the post office for her lover's mail, and he says intercepted letters from her rival. United States Assistant Prosecuting Attorney W. M. Draffen, of Boonville, appeared to prosecute the case.

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It is a Theater Lease, Katherine Havlin Being the Beneficiary.

The ownership of the lease of Havlin's theater at St. Louis has changed, and the transfer says it is "in consideration of the sum of her love and affection." The lease is a present from John Havlin and his wife to their daughter Katherine, and it is in the nature of a wedding present, as the young lady is soon to be married to a Cincinnati man. The lease has 15 years to run, and is a very valuable present. Mr. Havlin will retain the management of the theater, but all the receipts will go to the young lady.

"WHERE ARE YOU GOING, LITTLE FOOL?"

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A Valuable Domestic.

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Lake Michigan's Depth.

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"I'm in Town, Honey!"

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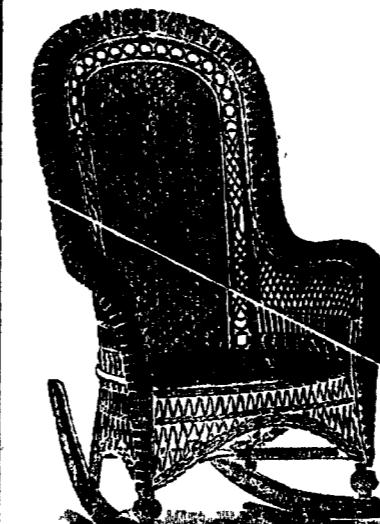
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#### THE WORLD OVER.

At the Budapest exposition next year there will be a steel tower 1,625 feet high.

Paris deaf mutes may hereafter be employed as clerks in the various departments of the administration.

Strange bed warmers are used by Chilian women. In cold weather, when in bed, they keep their feet warm by placing them on a dog.

It is computed that there are \$800,000 worth in gold and jewels at the bottom of the sea on the route between England and India.

All the chickens in the western part of French Guiana are perfectly white. It is impossible to find one with a colored feather.

Perhaps one of the best conducted, although not the best known, of botanical gardens is the Royal garden at Glasnevin, Dublin.

The Japanese begin building their houses at the top. The roof is first built and elevated on a skeleton frame. Then it affords shelter to the workmen from storms.

Parrots are to be put to a practical use in Germany. They have been introduced into the railway stations and trained to call out the name while the train stands there, and thus save people the trouble of making inquiries.

M. Andre, of Stockholm, who will attempt to reach the North pole by balloon, is having his balloon built in Paris. It is to be finished on May 11, when it will be transported to Gothenburg, and then to a small island in the Spitzerberg group, whence the expedition will start.

A Chinese doctor is employed by families by the year at a rate, according to their means and his reputation, of one to five cents a day, as long as every member of the family is well. When one falls ill, the doctor's pay stops until health is fully restored.

#### MINES AND MINERALS.

A deposit of pyrites near Dahlonega, Lumpkin county, Ga., is to be opened up.

Several rich strikes have been recently made on the Yellow creek, in the Black Hills country.

Copper discoveries on the big Blackfoot, Deer Lodge county, Mont., have caused some excitement in that district.

Arizona will produce \$10,000,000 of gold this year, as against \$4,000,000 last year, according to the estimate of the governor of the territory.

It is said that veins of anthracite coal of good quality have been discovered in the Hot Springs section of North Carolina.

A \$9,000 gold nugget, weighing 31 pounds and seven ounces, is reported to have been found at Eldorado, Montgomery county, Va.

Several rich copper veins are reported to have been discovered in the range between Beaverhead and Ruby rivers, east of Dillon, Mont.

Colorado reduced its yield of silver last year by \$2,500,000 and increased its gold output by \$6,200,000. This looks surprisingly like a new ratio and gold-bull activity of the most effective kind.

The hottest mines in the world are the Comstock. On the lower levels the heat is so great that the men cannot work over ten or fifteen minutes at a time. Every known means of mitigating the heat has been tried in vain. Ice melts before it reaches the bottom of the shafts.

#### PICKED UP ABROAD.

Vienna cabmen have struck against them; they ask for a fixed day's wages for a fair day's work, and "resent the oppressive and humiliating institution of trinkeld."

English tradesmen are indignant because the dried potatoes, carrots and turnips provided for the Ashante expedition were ordered by the government in Germany.

Vienna has established a circulating library for the blind, for which 400 volumes of German works have been prepared in raised type. The books will be lent out for a small fee.

An Irish loyalist club has been formed in London with the object of forming a bond of union between loyalists in London and their fellow loyal Irishmen in other parts of the empire.

It is said that all the buglars' Jimmies in London are made by one man, who is well known to the police, but cannot be arrested, as his work is not contrary to law. Besides it is very convenient to be able to trace his customers.

It is a notorious fact that much of the beef sold in England as "Prime Scotch" is simply prime American. The British consumer, it is averred, is unable to detect, either by eye or palate, the origin of a side of beef or of the roast cut from it.

#### ECHOES OF THE PAST.

Cotton has not been so cheap at Liverpool as it was recently for 46 years.

A Quitman, Mo., man has just received \$100 from the national government for a horse killed during the civil war.

The account of Baring Brothers, who failed in London for millions, has been closed in London without any call upon the guarantors.

Statistics of last year's bankruptcies in England and Wales show that the number of failures was smaller than in 1893.

A rich old silver mine, abandoned by Spanish miners a century ago, near Zacatecas, Mexico, has just been rediscovered by Mexican Soils, of Madrid.

At Anney, in Savoy, in digging the foundation for a new house, a large flagstone was found covering an old cellar, in which was a large collection of fragments of sculpture. They came from the 12th century monastery of the Holy Sepulchre, which was destroyed during the French revolution. Many of the pieces can be repaired.

Don't invite disappointment by experimenting. Depend upon One Minute Couga Cure and you have immediate relief. It cures craps. The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. West's Drug Store.

# KIRK'S

Produce Expert Testimony of the Most Convincing Character.

Evidence of the Highest Authority Comes Out Boldly and Most Emphatically for Them.

We Publish in this Article the Evidence in Detail.

If there is anybody in Chicago who does not know of Munger's Laundry, he must indeed be the most ignorant of the large mercantile establishments that have done so much to make Chicago famous the world over. Munger's Laundry Co. stands in the very front rank in this line, not only in Chicago, but in the world. This is what they say after giving Kirk's Eos (Elixir of Soap) a thorough test:

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 15, 1895.

Messrs. Jas. S. Kirk Co., Chicago, Ill.:

DEAR SIRS—We have tried your new washing preparation, Eos (Elixir of Soap), on both colored silks and flannels, and are pleased to say that it worked to our entire satisfaction. The silk did not run, and came from the wash bright and clean; nor did the flannels shrink in the least. Eos made the water soft and velvety. We regard it as a preparation of very great merit, and we are pleased to endorse it for general family use as a most necessary article, and we may say further, as an all around washing preparation it is the best we have ever used. (Signed) MUNGER'S LAUNDRY CO. S. C. Goss, Manager.

EXCELSIOR LAUNDRY CO.

Say Kirk's New Discovery is the Best Preparation for Washing.

As washing experts the Excelsior Laundry Co., whose main office is located at 114 Twenty-second street, are an authority not to be questioned for a moment. They cater to fine work only. Some idea can be had of the immensity of their business when 20,000 square feet is required to turn out the 7,500 pieces which is their daily output. They have no reputation to make—it's made already—and we take pride in publishing the testimonial of so competent authority on washing preparations:

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 14, 1895.

Jas. S. Kirk & Co., Chicago, Ill.:

GENTLEMEN—We have been making a most thorough and exhaustive test of your new discovery, Eos, for general laundry work, and we have come to the conclusion that it is by far the best article we have ever met with for washing clothes. Linen and cotton goods come out white and clean. It washes silks beautifully; flannels and woolens are not only washed clean, but come from the water soft and fleecy as new, with out shrinking. We have never used a preparation that could hold a candle to this one in washing flannels.

We also noted the fact that printed fabrics did not run a particle when this preparation was used. It breaks the water, making it very soft, which makes it so pleasant to the hands. We shall use Eos from now on in our Laundry, and have to day ordered a large supply, which is pretty good proof that we mean what we say about it.

(Signed) EXCELSIOR LAUNDRY CO. J. C. WILSON, President.

KIRK'S EOS (Elixir of Soap).

The Many Purposes for which It Was Designed.

Eos was designed to be a perfect washing compound, a preparation that would do the family washing better than it had been done before, with less labor and without the use of a particle of soap. To accomplish such wonderful results the best equipped laboratory in the United States has been bending every effort for years past.

We believe that the public is fully aware that when a piece of goods passes the crucial test of the chemist in charge of this extensive laboratory and the preparation emerges from the factory bearing the name and trade mark of James S. Kirk & Co that it must be as near perfect as modern science can make it.

Among the other advantages Eos has over any washing powder on the world's market to day are: That a little Eos in the water makes it soft and velvety. Anyone putting their hands in water prepared with Eos will almost immediately exclaim: "My, this water feels like satin."

In washing printed goods a preparation should be used that will prevent colors from running. We guarantee Eos, if used according to directions, will accomplish this.

We also guarantee that Eos will prevent flannels and woolens from shrinking a particle, and that if you wash your flannels in water in which Eos is used that they will come out of the wash soft, fleecy and white. For all scouring and cleaning purposes Eos occupies a pre-eminently first position.

Use Eos in doing your family washing!

Use Eos to prevent the colors in your printed cotton goods from running!

Use Eos to wash your dishes and for general kitchen work!

Use Eos to scour your milk pans!

Use Eos to clean your paint!

Use Eos when you scrub your floor, and we repeat that your work will be done better than it has ever been done heretofore at half the labor and expense.

Kirk's Eos is for Sale

BY ALL GROCERS.

Two Sizes, 5 and 10 cents. Try a package and you will never be without it.

WILLIAM KELLY, of Pekin, found some very perfect and rare Indian darts in an embankment.

The town of Masito was laid out in 1858 and was named by Maj. Ruggulee, of Anney, in Savoy, in digging the foundation for a new house, a large flagstone was found covering an old cellar, in which was a large collection of fragments of sculpture. They came from the 12th century monastery of the Holy Sepulchre, which was destroyed during the French revolution. Many of the pieces can be repaired.

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needs but one telling to know where to find them. If there's one sort of customer we like better than another it's a "particular" one. He's hard to suit the first time generally, but once pleased we get his constant patronage. Come around and be as cranky as you like—our "good things" will put you in a good humor.

Here are a Few of the Genuine Bargains in Good Things

We Have to Offer This Week:

**Canned Goods.**

Fancy Sugar corn, 3 cans for 20c, per dozen..... 75c

Solid Meat Tomatoes, 3 cans, 26c, per dozen..... 90c

California Fruits in Syrup—Peaches, Pears, Plums or Cherries, per can, 15c

Gallon Apricots, Peaches or Plums, per can..... 30c

Gallon Pumpkin..... 25c

8 lbs. Pumpkins, 3 cans for..... 25c

Boston Baked Beans, per can 5c and 10c..... 25c

3 cans best Peas for..... 25c

3 cans best String Beans for..... 25c

A good 30c Salmon, per can..... 15c

# We Will Offer

During the Entire Month of February

## SPECIAL PRICES

ON

### Dinner Sets

We have over 200 in stock yet, and you can buy one now for LESS MONEY than ever before, and may never buy so cheap again.

Otto E. Curtis & Bro.,  
Jewelers,

156 East Main St.---113 North Water St.

### A FEW LEFT.

We still have a few of those 69 Cent Shoes left, sizes 2½ and 3. Our entire stock of shoes will be sold right down at bottom prices.

Seeing is believing.  
Come and be convinced.

F. H. Cole Shoe Co.,

B. F. BOBO, Manager.

148 EAST MAIN STREET.

### AFTER INVOICING

We find we have too many goods on hand, so we must reduce our stock regardless of prices to make room for our spring stock.

#### Some Good Bargains.

Good Indigo Blue Calico at 5¢. Men's Scarlet Underwear at 5¢. \$1.00 15x36 Rugs cut to 50¢. Remnants of Carpets at 25¢ a yard. Fine Table Linen at 35¢ a yard. Ladies' Cashmere Hose at 18¢ a pair. Men's Oating Flannel Shirts at 45¢. Ladies' Pieced Hose at 12½¢ a pair. Ladies' Fingertips, 25¢, 30¢, 50¢. Lot of Muffs at Half Price. Ladies' Heavy Cloth Capes, 85¢. Ladies' Bedding, 85¢. Misses' Long Coats from \$25.00 up.

#### Our New Department.

We make Dresses of all kinds. We make Capes of any kind. We make JACKETS of any kind. We make Plush Cloaks into Capes. We make Shirt Waists and Shirts of any kind at short notice. Best Ready-made Calico Wrappers with Ruffles on Shoulders at 82¢. Black Sateen Wrappers at 82¢. Flannelette Wrappers at \$1.50. Ready-made Skirts, 83¢, \$3.50, \$4.50, \$5.

GIVE US A CALL THIS WEEK.

*Chas. T. Johnston*  
DECATUR, ILL.  
151 NORTH WATER STREET.

Daily Republican

#### NOW TRY

our Cough Syrup;  
it stops the cough, and  
cures the cold, very  
pleasant to take and  
guaranteed to help  
you.

KING & METZ, DRUGGISTS.

TUESDAY, FEB. 7, 1896.

#### SOCIETY MEETINGS.

MASONIC—Stated communication of Masonic Lodge, No. 8, A. F. & A. M., this evening at 7:30 o'clock. W. A. DIXON, W. M. G. LEWIS, Sec.

O. O. F.—All members of Progress Lodge, No. 161, D. of R., are requested to meet at hall, corner of William and Main streets, at 7:30 p.m. this (Friday) evening. Mrs. LOU SHARP, Sec.

O. G. T.—Regular meeting of Decatur Lodge, No. 864, this (Friday) evening at 7 o'clock, sharp, in R. of P. hall, Library block, North Main St. ERMIN WEIGAND, C. T. THEODORE COLEMAN, N. Secretary.

#### LOCAL NEWS.

UNDERWEAR, cheap, at Smith & Calkins'. 5-6¢

Irwin's Harmless Headache powders are a sure cure.

E. & W. COLLAR and Cuffs at Smith & Calkins'. 5-6¢

TRY DULUTH IMPERIAL FLOUR, The Best Spring Wheat Flour on Earth. Dr. L. E. COONRADT, Dentist, rooms 42 and 43, Fenton block. aug 24-dtf

JOHNNY WEIGAND still makes the Leda 10 cent cigar. mch25-dtf

Try those Little Rose and Bouquet cigars, made by Mich.

CUBANOLA is the finest 5¢ cigar. Sold only by I. N. Irwin & Co.

TRY DULUTH IMPERIAL FLOUR, The Best Spring Wheat Flour on Earth.

The Grand Opera House cigars, made by Johnny Weigand, are the best in town. mar25-dtf

THE best remedy for coughs and colds is Irwin's Rock Balsam.

J. M. MYERS, manufacturer of Rubber Stamps, 301 S. Church St., Decatur, Ill. feb 5-d2w

WHAT'S the matter with you? Constricted Cascares will cure. Eat them like candy.

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

TRY DULUTH IMPERIAL FLOUR, The Best Spring Wheat Flour on Earth.

Leave your prescriptions at the Opera House Drug Store, and they will be ready before the opera is over.

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MAMA eats a Cascaret, baby gets the benefit. Cascares make mother's milk mildly purgative.

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TRY DULUTH IMPERIAL FLOUR, The Best Spring Wheat Flour on Earth.

CONCERT and festival given by the Broadway Baptist church Thursday, Feb. 13, 1896. Admission 10 cents. Feb. 5, d1w

THE members of the ladies central committee of the W. C. T. U. will hold a meeting to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock at the association rooms. They will arrange a reception to the members soon.

His Position Made Plain.

As the Chesapeake & Ohio train was pulling out of Covington for Cincinnati last Saturday night an Irish laborer, with his regulation tin dinner can and clay pipe, stepped into one of the cars, and, putting his pall on the floor, encased himself in a comfortable seat, with his pipe in one corner of his mouth. A moment later the brakeman came in and, looking around, espied the Irish man. Leaning over he tapped the man on the shoulder and said:

"If you want to smoke go forward to the smoking car."

The Irishman looked at him coolly for a moment and replied: "I'm not schmokin', man."

"You've got your pipe in your mouth, haven't you?"

"Faith, yes," replied the son of Erin, "un I've got me fut in me boot, but I'm not walkin'." —Mayville Public Ledger.

Will Start Within Two Weeks.

F. C. Damrow has rented the second floor of the building at 160 West Main street, and will manufacture flavoring extracts there, both for bottlers and for private use. The machinery has already been ordered and the concern is expected to be in operation within two weeks. The Damrow Brothers have rented the first floor and will soon start to manufacturing pop, ginger ale, soda, etc.

Sales of Real Estate.

Catherine Schulte to Wm. C. Field, a part of lot 3 in block 13 in Western addition to Decatur, \$3000.

W. E. Haworth to Catherine E. Shultz, lot 3 in block 13 in Western addition to Decatur, \$7500.

Installed a New Lodge.

About thirty of the members of Decatur Chapter No. 111, O. E. S., went to Bodie last night and installed a new lodge of the Eastern Star in that town.

Births.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Wisher, living at the corner of Whitmer and Webster streets, on Feb. 7, a daughter.

Entertainment To-night.

This evening the members of the Mission band will give an entertainment at the College street chapel. Charles Black will show stereopticon pictures.

#### THE PLANS HERE.

Dr. Brown Has Option on Two Sites—He Means Business.

This morning Dr. Benj. Brown received the plans for the hotel which may be built in Decatur. Dr. Brown is representing Chicago capitalists who want to build a handsome hotel in this city. But before investing their money here they are anxious to ascertain whether or not Decatur people want the hotel. The hotel would greatly advance the value of the property in the part of town in which it was built and the men who are backing the scheme think that the property owners and others who would be benefited ought to donate something. They do not ask that Decatur people take stock in the enterprise, but they simply want a sufficient bonus to feel secure that Decatur is interested in the undertaking and will support the hotel when built. Dr. Brown says that it simply remains with the city whether or not they will have the hotel. The Chicago men have the money to carry on their plan and will do it if they receive sufficient encouragement.

The plans were sent here so that the Decatur people could see what the hotel would be. A hotel built after the plans would be one of the handsomest buildings of the kind in this part of the state. Dr. Brown has secured options on the Thatchet property at the corner of North Water and East North streets, and also the J. R. Race residence property across the street. It has not been decided which of these two locations will be chosen. The plans are for a hotel costing \$100,000. They were drawn for the northwest corner with a frontage of 100 feet on Water street and 170 feet on North street. There are entrances on both streets. On the Water street side are four store rooms, two on each side of the hotel entrance. Opening on North street are reading rooms east of the entrance, and west of it are the bar and billiard room and cafe. In the center of and at the back part of the building, is the rotunda, 66x37 feet in dimensions, where the hotel office will be. Around the sides of the rotunda are a ticket office, railroad office, check room, baggage office and telegraph office. The reading rooms, etc., on the North street side open into the rotunda. The rotunda is lighted by skylight over the second story. This makes a large court, giving light to all the rooms in the upper part of the house.

The hotel will be seven stories high and will be fitted with elevators, the best steam heating and lighting appliances, and will be modern in every particular. On the second floor will be reception halls, two large parlors and a large dining room, besides store room, washing department rooms, etc. There is a balcony and the rotunda, so that the office below can be seen from the second floor. All the other five floors are alike. A hallway extends down the center of the house and the rooms are on each side. The bathrooms and smaller sleeping rooms face on the court so that all the outside windows are in the main sleeping rooms.

The exterior of the hotel is very handsome. The first story is to be of gray stone and above that the walls will be buff brick and terra cotta with a balaustine at the top. The plans were drawn by Robert Rea, a Chicago architect. If the deal goes through the work of building will begin as soon as the transfer of the property can be made. Such a hotel as is shown in the plans would be a credit to any city.

The plans can be seen at the National Bank of Decatur.

REED PLEADED GUILTY.

Daisy Kimball Had the Chicago Pincher Arrested on a Warrant.

Mr. Reed, the Chicago traveling man who caused the sensation at the St. Nicholas hotel yesterday at noon, was arrested again last evening on complaint of Miss Daisy Kimball, who swore out the warrant. Reed was put in jail.

It was expected that there would be a trial this morning in Justice Hardy's court, but Miss Kimball did not appear against the fellow who had pinched and kicked her. Reed pleaded guilty to the assault and was fined \$8 and costs.

Mariette Home.

Miss Bertha Roper was quietly married last evening at 8 o'clock to William Hamilton, of Atwood. The ceremony was performed at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Roper, No. 527 N. Jackson street. The couple was attended by the bride's sisters, Misses Mattie and Cora, T. J. Gleeson and Rolly Hatfield. About twenty-five friends were present at the wedding and to enjoy the bountiful supper that followed. The couple left on the evening train for Atwood which will be their future home and where the groom is engaged in buying stock. Rev. R. G. Hobbs officiated, and Mrs. J. W. Heath presided at the piano, playing the Lohengrin march.

Will be Open in a Week.

Manager Ferguson of the street company says that the new transfer house will be finished in about a week. At present the workmen are decorating the walls and putting in the seats. The transfer house will be a very pretty building when it is finished.

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#### GONE IN HIS PRIME.

Death of Parke Hammer at 4:30 a.m. To-Day at His Home.

A BUSINESS AND SOCIAL FAVORITE.

Everybody Mourns the Demise of the Young Man—Sick Two Weeks—Bright's Disease and Pneumonia the Cause—Funeral Sunday Afternoon.

ONE WAY TO CURE THEM.

Novel Manner of Reforming Drunkards Practiced in Some Cities.

There is a way to do everything the people want to do, if they can only find it. Police Justice Morrison, of Rockford, has evidently found the right way to cure drunkards. In his town, as in all towns, are old-soakers, who again and again, are arrested for being drunk and disorderly. The stereotyped method of dealing with these is to "send them up for ten days," in default of their ability to pay a fine. They never do have the money to pay the fine, and thus their families are deprived of even such wretched support as they would render during the ten days.

When such an inveterate appears before Mr. Morrison, the justice looks him over from head to foot, and then says:

"If I let you go, will you promise upon your honor to report at the police headquarters three times a day to show that you are keeping sober?"

The drunkard promises to do anything rather than go to jail. He appears at the police station morning, noon and night, and the police officer with particularly powerful nose for whisky smells his breath.

If he is sober he is allowed to go free again. If he shows traces of being intoxicated, then he is sent to jail. If he does not report, it is taken as a sign that he has lapsed, and he is searched for through the city and when found is made to go and serve out his sentence.

The plan works so well that it is somewhat rare for a drunkard to fall during the period while he is obliged to report at police headquarters. The result is sometimes the breaking up of the fixed habits of desperate old tops.

It saves the city the expense of the man's maintenance, besides. The system is worth trying, and it might be worked successfully in Decatur.

integrity, his uniform manliness and his general usefulness as the business world.

The deceased was a member of Macon Lodge of Masons, No. 8, but did not affiliate with any other society.

The funeral will take place from the family residence Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, Rev. W. C. Miller, of the Congregational church, officiating.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

W. W. Reed is now stopping at the Arcade.

Mrs. Byrd L. Davis is visiting relatives in Litchfield.

C. K. Jarman, of Quincy, is a business visitor in the city.

Dr. F. O. Rhoades is ill at his home on West Wood street.

Dr. Harvey was in Boddy last night on professional business.

Milton Johnson, Jr., is entertaining Dudley Watson, of Clinton.

Miss Bella McKenzie, who